

REMARKS

This application has been reviewed in light of the Notice of Allowance dated March 12, 2003. Claims 1-22 and 25-27 are pending in this application. Claim 27 has been added to provide Applicants with a more complete scope of protection. Applicants note that Claim 27 is similar to Claim 1 and is believed to be allowable for at least the same reasons as Claim 1. Claims 1, 17, 19, 21, and 27 are in independent form.

Applicants note that the RCE submitted herewith includes a request for a three-month suspension of action pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) and the required fee of \$130.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i).

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York Office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address listed below.

Respectfully submitted,


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